

only JP 1997-0073089 was considered as to claims 1 to 5 as filed for its disclosure in Figs. 5 and 6 and the accompanying discussion of two sync blocks. A translation of each of the cited documents is provided. It is believed that none of these documents is as relevant as the prior art mentioned in the application and the prior art considered in the initial action, over which the claims were amended.

Granting of this petition is respectfully requested.

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|                          | BA                       | JP-09-007309                                                                      | 01-10-1997                        | Hitachi Ltd                                        |                                                                                 | ✓              |
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